ASKS SMALL LAD TO PICK BETWEEN **Papa and Mamma**

7-Year-Old "Dick," Son of Sichard O. Johnson, to Have Interview With Justice.

LETTERS BRING TEARS.

Domestic Troubles of Wealthy New Rochelle Couple Reveal Charges of Wrongdoing.

Mrs. Ethel Colver Johnson, delloate. ith a fragile prettiness, bore up bravely throughout the proceedings this before Justice Greenbaum by which she hoped to regain her seventhe little fellow had asked to be written to "mamma" from the boarding school, where his father hid placed

him, were read aloud.

Dick wanted "mamma" to know he loved her and that he really truly did my his prayers every night as she had things which only the mother of a little on could feel and appreciate. The letters were the final straw to Mrs. John-son. Burying her face in her handkerchief, she wept silently as if her heart would break. The depth of her emotion was patent from the agonized heaving of her alight shoulders.

the regained her composure though by an heroic effort in time to finsh a smile of thanks at Justice Greenbaum when that just ordered that Dick be produced in court on Friday at 2 o'clock The Court's arrangement for determining in whose custody the boy should remain was unusual, growing out as it de of the bitter attacks of Mrs. Johnand her husband, Richard O. Johnson, officer of a manufacturing concern at No. 711 Broadway, whom she is uing for a separation.

The child is to be brought to New. school-the Gunnery School at Washington, Conn. and taken directly before Justice Greenbaum in his chambers be fore either father or mother sees him The Justice will question the little fellow with a view of discovering if he prefer to be with his mother. With this talk as a basis, the Court will decide Dick shall remain at the school pending the trial of the separa tion action or whether Mrs. Johnson shall keep him with her during that

TROUBLE IN Y SURPRISE TO FRIENDS.

The Johnsons are among the best known of the New Rochelle society col- July, Kalmus Brothers, a furniture ony. The first intimation that all was firm, through their attorney, William not tranquil in their household came last | C. Rittenberg, have abandoned their Wednesday when Mrs. Johnson asked law suit and have paid the widow \$124 Justice Amend for a writ of habeas cor- of the \$14 of instalments on furniture pus directing Mr. Johnson to show cause she was buying before her husband why she should not have her son back | died. with her. In her affidavit she alleged The willow, Mrs. Clarentine Headley he had taken the boy away on Jan. II, had bought \$34 worth of furniture of desiaring he wished to buy the lad some the firm shortly after she was married new clothes. Instead, she said, he took to John Headley. They paid the in-the boy to the Gunnery School. the boy to the Gunnery School. When Mrs. Johnson haster

hen Mrs. Johnson hastened to ley died. Shortly after that Mrs. Head-sol the next day—and it's a long ride ley found herself unable to continue even on an express train—she found the the payments, and notified the firm to child in tears. He begged her to stay that effect. But she asked them to let with him or take him home. The school her keep a bed, a rooking chair and a sthorities had not even been informed bureau. To this the company agreed, e child had a mother.

Who is this woman?" they asked.

and Mrs. Headley went to the store and selected three pieces of mahogany.

LAWYER READS LAD'S LETTER seconding to testimony in a subsequen TO MAMA. Appen's attornoy told a somewhat her original furniture had not been of

The troubles of the Johnsons began Headley is alleged to have declared her, 1911," he announced, that if she could not have those par """ when Mrs. Johnson's brother-in-law—the husband of her sister, who died in 1916. John C. Curtin, at linen manufactions with them. In the summer of 1912 he returned, and Mrs. Johnson's relations with him were such that they became the gossip of the neighborhood, and things finally came to the Curtin to leave. From that time on Mrs. Johnson had to ask to her husband.

Two days later Mrs. Johnson filed set for a separation. She swore Johnson had treated her with sreat cruelty during the ten years of married life; that he had paid undue attentions to a nurse who had treated Mrs. Johnson's elseven who had treated Mrs. Johnson's set of married life; that he had paid undue attentions to a nurse who had treated Mrs. Johnson's elseven until her death in 1910; that he had respectedly vowed he did not need Mrs. Johnson's sister until her death in 1910; that he had respectedly vowed he did not need Mrs. Johnson's manufactions to her known as a wife; and that for year he had repeated to speak directly to her, addressing all necessary communications to her through the medium of their son.

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"Dearest Mamma—I am nice and "See here." the Judge spoke up sharp-with and I have lots of two warm at night and I have lots of two warm at night and I have lots of two warms at home. In the daytime I play with the other little boys, but I don't twon't countenance veiled insinuations."

Save Your Goat, Cure Your Threat.

THE BOSS? Eleventh Article

"Shall Man's Reason Finally Decide, Or Is It Left to Woman's Emotions"



WIDOW'S INSTALMENTS.

PAID FOR FURNITURE.

RETURNED BY FIRM

Stopped Payments When Hus-

band Died and Won Verdict

in City Court.

they considered a just legal action

against a woman who was left the sole

support of a seven months' old baby

on her husband's sudden death last

The firm protested, complaining that

so expensive a grade. At this Mes

law suit.

"If the Ladies Can Show Me that They Are Pitted to Be Wise Counsellors I Shall Be the First to Cry 'The King Is Dead, Long Live the Queen!" Writes "J. S."

MEN LIKE AN OPTIMISTIC AND CLEVER, PERSONALITY" WRITES "MEREMAN

Both Husband and Wife Will Have to Bear with, Overlook and Often Forgive Each Other Their Shortcomings, and Neither May Claim to Be the Boss," Says "Joseph W."

BY NIXOLA GREELEY-SMITH.

"If women made as close a study of men as men do of women, they would make a greater success of matrimony."

This interesting aphorism is supplied by a masculine reader in a letter contributed to-day to the discussion of the distribution of authority in

Granted. But what are we going to do about it? Generally speaking. opportunity knocks only once at every woman's heart, whereas, boys in high school have already realized that the proper study of Mankind is Woman, and that for a man matrimony is merely a post-graduate course in the school of sentiment.

On the other hand, it may be urged that woman having relatively little bance to philander is better able to specialize in the study of the one heart which fate accords her. It may be contended also that the process of finding out which heart has her inienlightening study as man is able to

NIXOLA GREELEY-SMITH gather from his butterfly experiences. I detest likening a man to a butterfly—I have never seen a man that really looked like one—but the comparison has the stamp and approval of ages, and I know of no role in which man more admires himself than that of the Don Juan of the rose garden, "flitting from flower to flower," as we hear so often.

But, as a master of fact, a woman never really knows anything about the mesculine character and deposition until she is married And even then she may be so busy

of their son.

William Brunner, Mrs. Johnson's coursel, told Justice Greenbaum Mr. Johnson had proven himself to be unfit for guardian of the child, for in the past three months he had not been at home one evening and had returned to his family only on Sunday, and then not to remain for dinner, but to get some of his clothes.

"In December," the lawson who has life of happiness."

"Mrs. Headley had always been an life of happiness."

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Lawson who has found the basis of a life of happiness." remain for dinner, but to get some of his clothes.

"In December," the lawyer continued, at nights I truly do say my prayers, that he wished to place the boy in a bearding school. She objected, of course, because the little fellow had never been away from her and was altogether too young to be sent away. On Jan. Il he did manage to send the child away, to the school advised by his attorney.

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"It was to avoid the atmosphere of little reasonable and prove it. And anytow it is pretty obvious that the shortest road to a man's heart must be equally the short-say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am perfectly say them over and over. Give my cat road away from it. I am prove it. And anything objected. "In another letter Mrs. Brinsmade. Sticken mate. And that shabby phrase, been been mistress, says the little boy soul mate," on the contrary tells its own story. Even in the most sordid inght at be school, although it is true that when his mother visited him she acted in such a manner as to upset him greatly.

"To prove to you that the child is content I will read a letter which Mrs. Brinsmade wrote at his direction:

"In another letter Mrs. Brinsmade. Little boy seemed perfectly contented except at high target boy time, when he would worny a little bit for his mamma."

"But are there any charges against meals; there are, as "A Mere Man" ways, mental moods every bit as important as physical comforts. Here is his letter:

Tips for Women Who Seek.

TIPS FOR WOMEN WHO SEEK HAPPINESS. Dear Madam: I have a firm be-

lief that if women made as close a study of men as men do of success of matrimony. Speaking from the espect of a mure man I

believe that the essential requisites from a woman for a happy marriage are the combination of a spiritual or elemental sweetheart and the physical or tangible sweetheart. Such a woman will have no trouble in asserting the rights

that properly belong to her. The woman who learns this important secret and who acquires this combination has found the basis of a life of happiness.

A man's mental moods are every bit as important as his physical comfort. The tactful elimination of the grouphy moods and the nurturing of the happy is a rare blessing in marriage. Maturally complete success comes through mutual observance of this rule.

Women in private life often wonder why certain men marry wom-en in theatrical and public life. difficult. Men like and enjoy an optimistic and clever personality. as they dislike the woman who is so straightlaced and stiff that she nothing in the vista of life but duty, responsibility, care, trouble, sanctimontousness, disintegration, and then a A MERE MAN.

WANTS TO BE SHOWN WHY WIFE SHOULD BE BOSS. Dear Madam: The ladies who believe they are best fitted to be boss do not see fit to give their reasons. Is it not strange that they should remain silent when their throne is in danger? Is it not barely possible that they will not because they cannot give a reason? Your refusal to decide because you have no regard for "tyrants" of either sex does not, if you will permit to say so, touch the point at tasue. Surely you cannot think that a husband, in extreme cases, ere his wife's inexperience, lack business knowledge, lack of foresight, or whatever you will, may entanger the home or his business, should stand silly by and not try to avert the disaster? And if the two cannot come to an and if the two cannot come to an agreement, and he then, and only in such extreme cases, exerts his authority, is he a "tyrant"? You say that a marriage should be a democracy with equal rights and responsibilities. How can there be SEE WHALE TOSSED NEW YORK WOMAN BY 50-FOOT WAVES FOR RICH RANSOM?

Liner Baltic's Battle

With Gale.

More stories of the untrammetted wrath of the Atlantic and hours in peril sufficient to make the bearts of strong men weak came in with the White Star liner Baltic, two days late in arriving at her pier to-day. The big ship had been punted like a football all the way across the southern track from Queens-

Capt. Howarth found his ship running square into a victous gale before the hills of Ireland were below the norizon. and from that day, Jan. 11, all the subtle cruelty of the Western Ocean was vented upon the big liner. Last Tues-day and Wednesday, when the wind from the north and west had tuned up to a ninety-mile gait and the face of the scean was contorted into parallel ranges of watery mountains, the Haltic had to slacken her speed to bare steerage way and take the force of the tempest equarely over her bows.

Capt. Howarth did not leave the

bridge for three succeeding days during the beight of the tempest and the quarship's bow to meet every opcoming wave and then hold her steady for the ong coast down into the water abyas below the foam-streaked top. The ship's officers on the bridge could look up and see the waves crinkling to the fall over their heads. Some of them were more than fifty feet above the

On the night of Jan. 16 the few passengers who remained in the upper enloon asw-or swear they saw-a whale tossed like a sardine spawn from crest crest of the water cliffs, seeming utterty unable to navigate against the whip and drive of the hurricane. eviathan flashed by the ship in a mother of foam so close that the passadlights in the saloon wall could see he puny thrust of his tail.

They said to-day they were glad a collision with the monster was not added to the heavy sum of the ship's distress.

sengers, who was in command of the White Star steamship Republic when it was in collision with the Florida off the Long Island Coast four years ago and who has just completed a course in maritime law at the University of Michigan, whither he went after he lost his ship, declared that never in his experience at sea had he passed through such a storm as that of last week. Capt. Sealby is going to San Francisco.

the Wind.

arrest of certain clouds not identified

It all happened Saturday night at 9 o'clock and Mr. Paine, who stopped in at

The Evening World office on his way to

see District-Attorney Whitman, says he

witnesses to satisfy even the most in-

was walking through Warren street, be-

ween Greenwich street and West Broad

way, flanked by friends and wearing a

new Fedora hat. They were close to an

arclight when a gust of wind lifted the Fedora from his head. And then:

"You won't believe it," said Mr. Paine, and I wouldn't myself if I hadn't seen

it, and neither would my friends. But that hat went straight up into the sir. The arc threw its rays sloft so that we

could follow it with our eyes. We saw it rise above the tops of the buildings, which are high at that point, and it

was still ascending, directly above the niddle of the street, when we lost sight

"It was a wonderful freak of the wind, air. I wasn't under the influence

Jane Addams Going to Egypt.

Addams, chief of Hull House, will sail

from New York on Feb. 18 for a long

ment made here last night. The an-

nouncement followed an inquiry from

stay in Egypt according to announce

Lasts longer than a buttonho

collar and is easier to put on and

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liquor-in fact. I never take a drinkbut that hat never came down again and I'd be willing to make affidavit

redulous reporters or prosecutors.

as receivers of stolen property.

except that you do not say what is to be done when the two heads do not agree, which will happen sometimes. Can you even conceive of a democracy or business partnership where it is not necessary sometimes for the one who is tactily acknowledged as the head to decide a matter beyond appeal? Now in the case of a husband and wife there must arise occasionally a necessity for a decision that is final. Shall it be left to man's reason or woman's emotions? It seems to me that you are taking a low view of marriage by refusing to acknowledge that equality in general is perfectly consistent with submission to authority in ware and exceptional cases, provided such authority is based on reason and not on mere authority. For my part my mind is elastic enough to acknowledge even woman's right to bows if she can give any good reason that is convincing. I have no abstract love for authority, for it is no sincours. In fact, I should prefer a benevolent despotism if such a thing be possible.

If the ladies can show me (for my mind is Microursian) that they are or may become Egerian, with unfalling wisdom, I shall be the first to dry, "The king is dead, long live the Queen!"

SPECIFICATIONS FOR A GOOD GALE TOOK HIS HAT RIGHT UP IN THE AIR TILL IT VANISHED. Mr. Paine Lost His New Fedora by a Strange Freak of

SPECIFICATIONS FOR A GOOD WIFE OR HUSBAND. Dear Madam: If all marriages were the result of the diotates of nature, or the secret instinct of sympathy, nothing could be more O. B. D. Paine, salesmanager of horse brush and blanket firm in Green. wich street, took action to-day looking roward the indictment of Saturday night's gale for petty larceny and

delightful and hasting than the bonds of matrimony.

The chief characteristics of a good hashand or wife are plety, love, meckness, reasonableness, apmeskness, reasonableness, ap-ion to duty and a love of

"SHALL THE FINAL DECISIONS BELEFT TO MAKE REASON OR WOMAN'S EMOTION"? AIRS "J.S."

Men have more acquaintance with the world, and are, I am conwith the world, and are. I am convinced, more deprayed than women. Every imperfection. capricious temper, vanity, folly, &c., appear in the macried state. The demeanor toward the world is agreeable and obliging; but in domestic life the mask is thrown off, and an individual appears such as he or she really is. Hence, it is incredible how much a wife has to bear from a husband who is capricious, haughty, choleric, dyspeptic and intractable; choleric, dyspeptic and intractable; or what a sensible husband has to endure from a silly, unreasonable. suspicious and aggravating wife.
Patience is an indispensable virtue
to this state. No one is free from
imperfections, both of mind and
body, and both husband and wife will have to bear with, overlook and often forgive each other their shortcomings. And neither may call himself or herself the boss.

CAREER AS A PICKPOCKET

ENDS IN HUMILIATION.

First Handbag Snatched by Youth

And I do se withing to make annually that it is using the sharp corner of some cloud for a hatrack to-day."

Any one who finds a Fedora on the top of his or her umbrella after the next rainfall may return it to Mr.

Paine at No. 262 Greenwich street.

Contained Articles Useless

Humiliating indeed was Morris Rosen thal's start on a career as a pickpocket as revealed to-day in Essex Market Police Court. The revelation was made by Detective Phiaster and Mrs. Salile Schneider of No. 164 Lee avenue, by Detective Phiaster and Mrs. Salile
Schneider of No. 164 Lee avenue.
Brooklyn
Mrs. Schneider was in Tompkins
Struar Park yesterday afternoon with

her six months' old baby. Who was in the company of east side friends whom she had come to visit.

Rosenthal, aged nineteen, was in Tompkins Square Park, too. With two

others youths of his own age he moved among the crowds jostling and pushing. Phlaster followed them. He saw them try to steal a girl's purse, but she was too quick for them

and struck Rosenthal across the face. The youths ran and Phlaster followed. As Rosenthal was passing Mrs. collar and is easier to put Schneider he grabbed a small handbag to take off. 15c, 2 for 25c she had just placed on the seat beside her and stuffed it into his pocket. Phlaster grabbed him. Mrs. Schneider made loud outery. A big crowd fol-lowed Phlaster and his prisoner to the station house. There the handbag was

opened.
It contained nothing cept some ne essities of intant raiment.
Nevertheless Rosenthal was held. He care he sever stole saything peters.

BRIGANDS HOLD

Spectacular Incident of the Mrs. William Mansfield, Who Disappeared From Hotel in Rome, Reported a Prisone:

> (By United Press.) thorities to-day were convince! that police to do any effective search work

in the north were holding for ransom Mrs. William Manafield, said to be the wife of a wealthy New Yorker, who mysteriously disappeared sev-

eral days ago. Mrs. Mansfield, with other Americans. was a guest of the Hotel Victoria un to last Sunday, when she went into the north of Italy. She reached Salo Lake-

refuse to reveal, the police say they are informed that a letter is on its way from the brigands to Mr. Mansfell, in New York, demanding a ransom for release of his wife.

The situation is complicated because Mrs. Mansfield, disappeared near the Austrian frontier, and the police must ROME, Jan. 20.—The police au- have the co-operation of the Austrian

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